

SECRET SURVEILLANCE IN GEORGIA

ANALYSIS OF THE LEGISLATION AND PRACTICE



Existing legislation still fails to set strict guarantees for the protection of privacy.



According to the data, the total number of motions on wiretapping received by courts from 2016 until the end of the second quarter of 2020 equaled to **3 467**.



The trend of a rising number of motions has been observed in Tbilisi since 2016. In 2019 the number further increased by 1.6% compared to the previous year and reached the highest figure of 669.



During 2019 a total of **7 084** motions on covert investigative measures were submitted at city and district courts of Georgia.



During the last four years, the ratio of granted motions on wiretapping has been gradually decreasing.

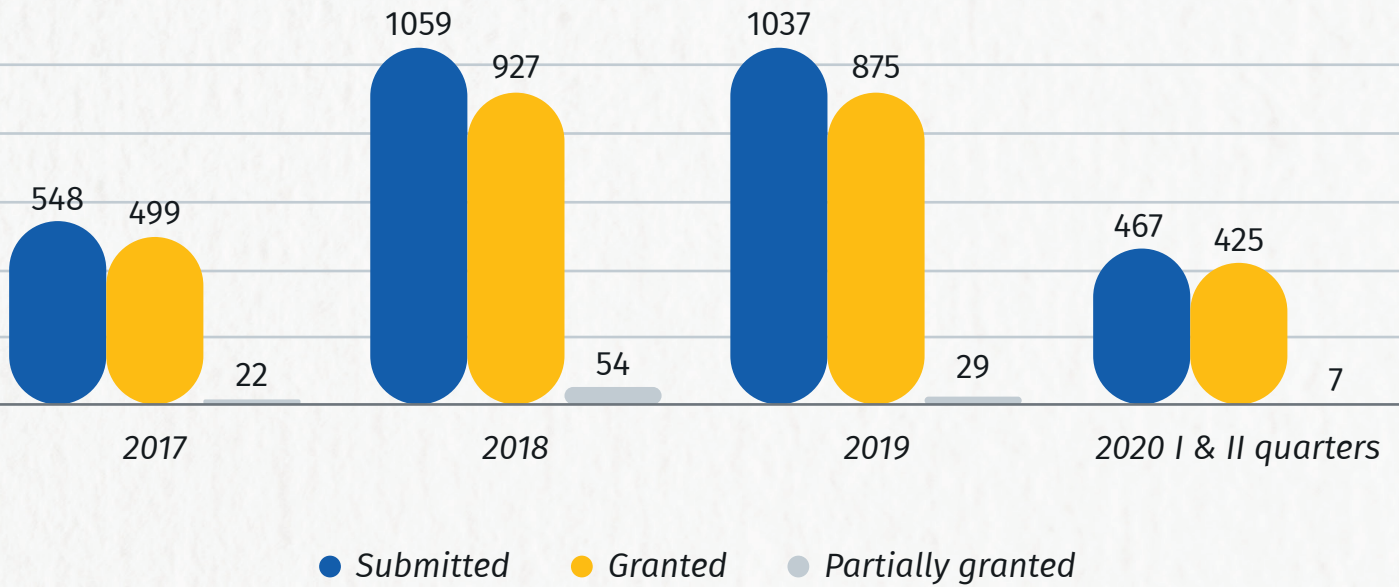


During 2019 the number of motions on wiretapping linked with fraud increased by **50%** compared to the previous year. The number of motions linked with murder or intentional infliction of grave injury also increased.



During the period from 2016 until the end of the second quarter of 2020 66.2% of all motions on wiretapping were recorded in Tbilisi, while the remaining 33.8% were spread across 23 city/district courts.

Motions on Secret Wiretapping and Recording Heard by the Courts



Statistics on the Motions Regarding Secret Investigative Measures



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